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**HOT TOPIC**

**Team Hickam member up for Iron Mom title.**

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## Repatriation

Members of a multi-service Honor Guard team transport remains during a repatriation ceremony on base Oct. 22. For more information on the ceremony and the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command, see Page 4.

## Tag, you're out Graffiti violators face repercussions

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey  
Kukini Editor

Juvenile crime is on the rise at Hickam.

Over the past several weeks, no fewer than 10 separate incidents involving graffiti or tagging have occurred on base, resulting in damage to numerous government facilities, including tennis courts, the base pool and areas behind the commissary and base exchange.

As a result, the 15th Civil Engineer Squadron has expended both funds and manpower re-painting the areas damaged by the graffiti, said Maj. Paul Kasuda, 15th Security Forces Squadron commander. The effort used for these repairs adversely affects all of Team Hickam because it detracts from our ability to fix and/or repair other needed facilities on Hickam.

"Simply put, money spent to fix the graffiti damage is money lost that would otherwise go to enhance quality of life projects throughout the base," Major Kasuda said.

Parents are responsible for dependents' involvement with such infractions. If dependents are caught deliberately causing such damage, sponsors will be held financially responsible for the cost of damage repairs.

"In addition to the repair costs, individuals found guilty of these kinds of incidents are subject to punishment through our juvenile services program and



Courtesy photo

**Graffiti sprayed on a wall near the base tennis courts.**

may risk eviction from base housing," said Chief Master Sgt. Scott Piper, 15th SFS superintendent.

Along with possible eviction from housing, those involved may be barred from base, meaning the guilty member is not permitted to enter the base for any reason," Chief Piper said. "We also share barment information with our sister services on the island."

"Security forces have increased patrol coverage throughout areas where most of the graffiti incidents have been occurring, but they can't do this alone," Major Kasuda said. All Team Hickam members must be vigilant in watching for things that just don't seem right.

People who discover graffiti or witness an individual defacing property, should contact the Law Enforcement desk at 449-7114.

## Team Hickam Quarterly Award Winners

### *Airman*

Airman 1st Class Kristoffer Abalos  
352nd Information Operations Squadron

### *Noncommissioned officer*

Tech. Sgt. Gary Lam  
17th Operational Weather Squadron

### *Senior Noncommissioned officer*

Master Sgt. Neil Turnbull  
Det. 15, Air Force Research Laboratory

### *Company Grade Officer*

Capt. Jasen Keske  
15th Security Forces Squadron

### *Civilian Category I*

Melissa Nystrom  
15th Services Squadron

### *Civilian Category II*

Jennifer Mickle  
15th Services Squadron

### *Civilian Category III*

Elizabeth Meyer  
Headquarters Pacific Air Forces

### *Volunteer*

Staff Sgt. Ranada Bridges  
735th Air Mobility Squadron

**Editor's note:** To learn more about the winners, see the Nov. 5 *Kukini* issue.



## How good Airmen go bad

By Chief Master Sgt. Joe Lavigne

2nd Bomb Wing  
Command Chief Master Sergeant

### BARKSDALE AIR FORCE

**BASE, La. (AFPN)** – Every time I review a discharge package for a young Airman who went down the wrong path, I ask myself how we failed. That's right, how did *we* fail? You may think I'm a bit crazy, because after all, it was the Airman who disregarded the standards, not us.

So how did the Airman ever get to the point of being discharged?

After completing basic and technical training, the Airmen arrive at their first duty assignment. Maybe they are lucky enough to have a sponsor appointed before they arrive. Maybe their sponsor actually meets them (in uniform) at the airport, and maybe their sponsor takes the time to sit them down and go over the standards and expectations before turning them loose. Maybe not.

Here's how the scenario usually plays out. The sponsor shows up at the airport in shorts and a tee shirt. It's easy to spot "their troop" because our Airman shows up proudly wearing a service dress uniform. The spon-

sor walks over to "Airman Newbie" and introduces himself. "Bob (that's Airman Newbie's first name), I'm Dave (what the sponsor meant to say was Staff Sgt. Jones). Welcome to your new home!"

After the gathering of Airman Newbie's luggage comes the long ride to base during which Dave explains to Bob how terrible things are. After all, there are countless exercises and inspections, deployments, long hours due to many folks being deployed and not a whole lot for this 18-year-old to do off duty.

Then, Dave drops Bob off at the dorm where the first person he runs into is Airman Dirtbag, who is being discharged for minor disciplinary actions. Naturally, Airman Dirtbag proceeds to give Airman Newbie the "real story" about the base.

The next day, Airman Newbie finds his way to his work center where his sponsor, Staff Sergeant Jones, is proudly wearing his new designer sunglasses with the fluorescent orange logo emblazoned on the frame.

"Dave" introduces "Bob" to everyone in the work center, and after some in-processing actions they all head off base in their BDUs for lunch at a nice

sit-down restaurant. Airman Newbie seems confused, because there are a lot of civilians in business attire, and he remembers being told that BDUs should only be worn off base for short convenience stops or to fast food restaurants and establishments where similar attire is worn. No worries, because according to his sponsor, this is the "real Air Force" and Airman Newbie needs to forget all that stuff he was taught up until this point in his short, yet structured, career.

If this seems far-fetched to you, wake up! It happens every day, and it is where we fail our young Airmen. So, how do we fix this problem?

First, start our troops off on the right foot. Be a great sponsor to them; help them get settled into their new surroundings; turn challenges into opportunities. In other words, meet them at the airport in uniform; let them know they are part of the best and busiest organization in the world. Tell them although they will be extremely busy, they will be contributing to an organization that has been rated Excellent and Outstanding, and we need them to give 100 percent effort if we hope to maintain those ratings.

Next, adopt the motto used at many technical training centers: "Train 'em right, train to fight." In other words, set your troops up for success, not failure. Ensure they understand their role in the upgrade training process; make sure they know who to contact if they are having trouble understanding; surround them with successful Airmen. Follow up on their progress.

Third, lead by example. Ensure you are in compliance with dress and appearance standards; run a brush over your boots; replace the "world tour" T-shirt you wear with your BDUs with an authorized one; comply with the spirit and intent of Air Force instructions. Make sure you are living up to the roles and responsibilities for your current grade as they are outlined in Air Force Instruction 36-2618.

Finally, help them understand they are Airmen 24-hours-a-day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. That means 100 percent compliance with standards 100 percent of the time, not just when they are at their work center.

If, after all this, one of your Airmen still doesn't get it, then help him or her out the gate and back into civilian life. You can do so with your head held high, knowing you were the solution to his or her problems, not a part of the problems.

## Action Lines



**Col. Ray Torres**  
15th Airlift Wing commander

The purpose of the Action Line is in its name – it's your direct link to me so we can work as a team to make Hickam a better community. It also allows you to recognize individuals who go "above and beyond" in their duties – and we all know there are plenty of those folks here. All members of Team Hickam are welcome to use the Action Line, howev-

er, I urge you to give the normal chain of command the first crack at resolving problems or issues. It's only fair to give our commanders and managers the first opportunity to work issues under their responsibility. If you have done this and are still not satisfied, give my commander's Action Line a call. If you want me to get back to you, leave your name and number, state your issue, tell me who you have talked to and why you were not satisfied with their response. I'll work your issue and respond verbally or in writing. The Action Line number is 449-2996. Messages may also be sent by e-mail to [15aw.pal@hickam.af.mil](mailto:15aw.pal@hickam.af.mil).

### Craft Fair booths concern

**Comment:** I am disappointed in the Skills Development Center and their procedures in allowing volunteers to be able to reserve booth space for the craft fair without having to stand in line. I know everyone, to include the instructors, are required to stand in line on the morning of the scheduled sign up to reserve their booth. I was very disappointed to learn, after standing in line for at least two hours, I was unable to obtain the booth of my choice because their volunteers get to select their booths without having to stand in line.

I'm writing this in hopes this does not get repeated. If this procedure continues with volunteers getting priority I will definitely make this event my last. Other crafters are aware of this practice and are also upset. They have mentioned they will stop coming to this event if this continues. I enjoy your craft fairs and would like to continue to participate. Your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

**Response:** The procedure to give volunteers booth space preference was recently initiated to provide volunteers who participate in the craft fair a benefit for their services. However, after considering your concerns, the Skills Development Center will no longer give preference to anyone. All booth slots will be assigned in order; those who come on the first day to register at 8 a.m. will be given the available booth space of their choice.

Unfortunately, by the time your feedback was received, five volunteer spaces had already been reserved. Please accept my apology for anyone who was affected by the volunteer's choices and rest assured we will give those of you who wait in line the first choice of available booths in the future. For further information on the craft fair, contact Donna Sommer at 449-1568 ext 106.

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**Life Skills Support Center**  
**449-0175**

**Law Enforcement Desk**  
**449-6373**

**Base Chaplain**  
**449-1754**

**Military Family Abuse Shelter**  
**533-7125**





Photo by Mike Dey

## Bronzed moment

Susan Williams, the first-ever U.S. triathlete to win an Olympic medal after taking bronze at this summer's Athens games, receives her honorary cross country team member uniform from Aliamanu Middle School 8th grader Shelby Yoakum, 13, daughter of Senior Master Sgt. Michael Yoakum, Pacific Air Forces. Mrs. Williams, daughter of Navy Capt. (ret.) Charles Bartholomew, attended the same middle school as a military dependent.

## Base meets CFC goal of \$350,000

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey  
Kukini Editor

The formal portion of Hickam's 2004 Combined Federal Campaign ended Oct. 19.

While base members have until Nov. 9 to make payment on their pledges, More than 85 percent of Hickam's goal has already been collected, according to 1st Lt. Wally Lee, base CFC project officer.

Team Hickam succeeded by donating more than \$350,000 to local and national charities, Lieutenant Lee said. That number continues to climb as updates are received from the field.

More than 6000 military and civilian employees were afforded the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate.

"Team Hickam donation to the CFC truly demonstrates their commitment to 'Service to Others,' and sends out a positive message about the collective power of American generosity," he said.

The success of the program campaign has a readily-identifiable source, the project officer said.

There were nearly 100 unit project officers and key people who made this year's campaign a success.

"I've enjoyed working with all of you and learning more about your organizations," he said. "Your hard work and dedication made this campaign possible and paved the way for an even better campaign in 2005."

The CFC is the only authorized solicitation of employees in the Federal workplace by charitable organizations.

For more information on CFC, visit [www.hawaii.navy.mil/cfc2004/index.html](http://www.hawaii.navy.mil/cfc2004/index.html) or [www.opm.gov/cfc/](http://www.opm.gov/cfc/).

# Iron Mom

## Hickam member up for title

By Tech. Sgt. Andrew Leonhard  
15th Air Lift Wing Public Affairs

Behind a unit deployment manager's desk within the Pacific Air Forces Computer Systems Squadron, one 'Iron' mom is hard at work keeping unit personnel ready for deployments.

But her day doesn't end there, Tech. Sgt. Deanna Snider is busy from dawn to dusk and countless hours in between with a job, family, school and being mom, said her husband Marine Gunnery Sgt. Chris Snider.

The "Gunny" Snider nominated his wife for KHNL Channel 8 Sam Choy's Kitchen Hawaii's Iron Mom competition.

As noted from KHNL's Web site, the competition is looking for that "special breed of mother whose ability to juggle the stresses of work and home are unmatched by any standard."

"She amazes me with her drive and inspiration," said Gunny Snider. "Once I saw the contest advertisement I immediately registered her. The contest is for women who can handle daily stress and still display exemplary culinary skills."

"Deanna's dream is to own a restaurant," he said.

"I actually didn't even know Chris had entered me into the Iron Mom contest," said Sergeant

Snider, "until the station called to tell me I had made the semifinals." Laughing, she said the guy from the station had to explain the whole thing to her.

"Only four contestants statewide had made the semifinals. My first reaction was shock," said the Iron Mom semi-finalist. "After I found out what the contest was about, and particularly after I saw the essay Chris submitted, I was just deeply touched to know he took the time to nominate me. What a wonderful surprise!"

Along with being a 'Iron' mom, she is working on her education and is active around base.

She is finishing her Master of Arts in Management with a specialization in Psychology and working on her package for Officer Training School. She is a member of the Hickam Toast-masters, squadron's softball team for the past four years, and is dangerous with a bowling ball. She also is an avid runner, active member of the unit Booster Club and volunteers all the time for other Air Force events.

If that isn't enough she also volunteers her time to Cub Scouts, and is a soccer and basketball mom to keep up with Nathan, 8 and Spencer, 6.

Even if she doesn't win, a personal victory has already been scored.

"I'll still be on top of the world."

## Flu shots

The 15th Medical Group will begin vaccinating medically high-risk individuals Monday. Team Hickam members who fall into that category include:

- All children aged six to 23 months
- Adults 65 years and older
- People from two to 64 years old with underlying chronic medical conditions
- All women who will be pregnant during the influenza season
- Children from six months to 18 years on chronic aspirin therapy
- Health care workers involved in direct patient care
- Out-of-home caregivers and household contacts of children under six months old.

Due to the limited supply of available vaccine, individuals who meet the above criteria must be enrolled to the 15th Medical Group for care to receive a flu shot.

For more information, contact the 15th MDG Public Health Flight at 449-7674.

## Iron Mom Voting

To vote for Tech. Sgt. Deanna Snider, visit <http://khnl.com/global/Story.asp?s=2457170>.

This was Chris' way of showing how much he appreciates my effort," said Sergeant Snider. "Nothing could ever take away feeling of love and support."

"It sure has been a lot of fun so far, and the support my friends and family have been giving me is just phenomenal," she continued.

Gunny Snider agreed, "When this contest comes to a close and the votes are tallied, regardless whether she wins or not, Deanna IS this family's Iron Mom."

If she wins, the Iron Mom would appear on Sam Choy's Kitchen TV show and Sam himself will come to the Snider's home and cook them a dinner.

"I'm sure there are moms all over Hickam that have a hectic schedule, and still find time for their families," said the humbled contestant. "My story is not unique, but what makes my scenario different is I happen to have the most wonderful husband in the world."

Anyone wishing to help Sergeant Snider capture her title as Hawaii's Iron Mom can vote at <http://khnl.com/global/Story.asp?s=2457170>.

# Aligned stars *JPAC commander promoted, presided over repat ceremony*

By Staff Sgt. Erika Gladhill  
Joint POW/MIA command Public Affairs Office

The Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command recently celebrated a commander promotion and held a repatriation ceremony outside the 15th Airlift Wing Base Operations Building.

Major General W. Montague Winfield, JPAC commander, who was promoted Oct. 1, had his ceremonial pinning-on during a promotion gathering held at JPAC's Heroes Green Monday. Vice Admiral Gary Roughead, United States Pacific Command vice commander, presided over the ceremony.

A few days earlier, General Montague was the presiding officer at the repatriation ceremony Oct. 22, honoring remains believed to be associated with

missing Americans from World War II and the Korean and Vietnam Wars.

A joint honor guard memorialized the arrival of the remains as they're borne from the rear deck of a military aircraft. Following the arrival ceremony, remains were transported to the JPAC Central Identification Laboratory where the forensic identification process begins.

The ceremony marks the end of the fifth and final remains recovery operation in North Korea this year. JPAC teams operated near both Unsan County and the Chosin Reservoir. The Chosin Reservoir is where the 1st Marine Division and the Army's 7th Infantry Division fought Chinese forces in the November-December 1950 timeframe.

Approximately 1,000 Americans are still missing in action from battles of the Chosin campaign. Unsan County, about 60 miles north of Pyongyang, is where battles between communist forces and the U.S. Army's 1st Cavalry and 25th Infantry divisions took place in November 1950. Approximately 382 Americans are missing from Unsan.

Since 1996, 32 joint operations have been conducted in North Korea resulting in the recovery of more than 200 missing Americans.

Today, there is one American still missing from the Gulf War,



Photos by Mysti Bicoy

**General Winfield's second star is ceremonially pinned on by Vice Admiral Gary Roughead, United States Pacific Command deputy commander, and the general's spouse Irma at the promotion ceremony Monday.**

more than 1,800 from the Vietnam War, 120 from the Cold War, more than 8,100 from the Korean War, and more than 78,000 from World War II.

JPAC personnel make up the military's only unit dedicated to recover service members missing from the nations wars. JPAC is manned with Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Department of Navy civilians, approximately 350 military and civilians.

On average, two Americans are identified per week, providing closure to the families waiting to close the mystery of their missing loved ones.

For more information on their mission, contact the JPAC Public Affairs office at 448-1940.



**Maj. Gen. W. Montague Winfield, JPAC commander, presides over the repatriation ceremony held on base Oct. 22.**

# Hickam celebrates Arbor Day

## Base ceremony set to plant trees, palms

By 1st Lt. Linda Lewis  
15th Civil Engineer Squadron

Hickam's seventh annual Arbor Day ceremony is Nov. 5 at 9 am. along 'B' Street and Hangar Ave.

Col. Ray Torres, 15th Airlift Wing commander, will host the ceremony, where a total of 58 trees and palms, an increase of 32 trees from last year, will be planted.

Volunteers are needed to help with the actual planting of the greenery. 15th Civil Engineer Squadron will pre-dig the holes and place the trees adjacent to the holes for easy planting. Gloves and shovels will be provided.

Individuals, groups or organizations who want to volunteer should contact Kimberly Williams at 448-3338.

The trees are the last phase of the 'B' Street project, and should help re-qualify the base as Tree City USA,

said Warren Aniya, base agronomist.

"Hickam has captured the Tree City USA Award six years in a row," Mr. Aniya said. "The award is given by the National Arbor Day Foundation for Outstanding Urban Forestry Programs."

"Arbor Day is a tradition that dates back more than 130 years," said Wayne Iwamoto, 15th CES landscape architect.

It began in 1872 by J. Sterling Morton. Morton became the editor for Nebraska's first newspaper and would regularly use this new form of media to not only advocate tree planting from individuals, but also to encourage tree planting by civic organizations.

He specifically stressed the many important uses of trees such as using them for fuel, building materials, windbreaks to keep farm soil in place and shade from the hot sun.

Morton soon became the secretary of the Nebraska Territory and member of the State Board of Agriculture. He proposed to have a tree-planting holiday called "Arbor Day." From that day forward, Arbor Day blossomed into a tree-planting holiday observed by many countries all around the world.



Photo by Mysti Bicoy

**To begin the planting on Arbor Day, Col. Ray Torres, 15th Airlift Wing commander, and visiting dignitaries supervise local keiki planting trees Nov. 7, 2003 on Hickam.**





## News Notes

**Financial Briefing** – There is a financial briefing Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Memorial Theater. This briefing will provide information to help people become prepared for financial independence and success through financial education. Other topics included in this briefing will be IRA's, investment opportunities, and savings prospects. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Glenn Taijeron at 448-2583.

**Road closure** – One half lane of Julian Avenue is closed between Monthan Street and Julian Way. One half lane is also closed on Julian Way between Julian Avenue and the Hickam Preschool parking area. The road closures are for sanitary sewer and water installation work. The channel side of the street

is closed from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. When work is in progress, no parking will be available along the street. The work is expected to continue until Dec. 17. For more information, contact Ross McGerty at 864-8072 or Linda Miller at 449-0542.

**Collection day changes** – Hickam has a new collection schedule for refuse and recycling pick up. A few major changes to the program include the contractor will collect both refuse and recyclables at the same time and Friday will no longer be reserved for bulky item pick up. Residents should put out both refuse and recyclables no earlier than 8 p.m. the night prior to their scheduled pick up. For more information, contact 1st Lt. Linda Lewis at 449-6089.

**Golf tournament** – The inaugural Mission Support Squadron Golf Tournament is scheduled for Nov. 5 at Mamala Bay. Check-in is 8 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 9 a.m. The tournament will consist of 36 four-person teams with a best ball format. Cost is \$60 for O-4/GS-9 and above; \$50 for E-5-E-9 and O1-O3 and GS-4-GS-8; \$40 for E-1-E-4 and GS-1-GS-3. Activities and prizes include: free lunch, muligans and putting string for purchase, longest drive and closest to pin, and top three and worst overall scores.

Sign-up and pay by Monday. For more information or to sign up, con-

tact 1st Lt. William Lominack at 449-0673 or Mr. Derek Salis at 449-0687.

**Black and white ball** – The Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. Prince Hall Masonic Lodge is hosting a black and white ball Nov. 5 in the Hickam Enlisted Club at 6 p.m. The event is open to everyone. Attire is formal/semi-formal. Tickets cost \$25 per person. To order tickets, call Vince at 368-2293 or Mike at 392-2348.

**Brown bag** – The Federal Employed Women organization is sponsoring a brown bag Nov. 5, 11 a.m. to noon at the Hickam Community Center. It will feature Beth Terry of Pacific Rims talking about dealing with difficult people. To make a reservation or for more information, contact Dinah Sanchez at 449-0357 or Ann Geschwandtner at 449-8936.

**Craft fair** – Hickam's 29th Annual Fall Craft Fair is scheduled for Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. People interested in taking part in the fair can rent a booth for \$65. Artists can pair up and share a booth for \$85. All items must be handcrafted by the seller and are screened at registration, continuing until the day before the fair. Civilian vendors, or those without base access, can register by mail. For more information, contact Donna Sommer at 449-1568 ext. 106.

**Volunteers needed** – Hickam is sponsoring an adopt-a-stream cleanup effort Nov. 6. Volunteers will meet at 7 a.m. in the Burger King parking lot and will return around noon. Participants should plan on driving their own vehicles or carpool with other volunteers. Maps, gloves and trash bags will be provided. Children 12 to 18 years old are also allowed to participate. To volunteer, contact Senior Master Sgt. Lewis Weaver at 449-7456 or Tech. Sgt. Edward Marsch at 449-5213.

**Cookie caper** – Volunteers are needed to help the close to 700 Team-Hickam dorm residents get a taste of home during the holiday season. Every year, volunteers come together to bake holiday cookies for Airmen in the dorms. The cookies can be dropped off at the Daedalian Room in the officers' club on Dec. 6 from 6:30 to 9 a.m. Volunteers are also needed to wrap the cookie care packages. For more information, contact Claire Morgan at 422-2147 or Connie Settergren at 674-0444.

**Position available** – The Hickam Family Support Center is seeking a Family Readiness noncommissioned officer in the grade of technical sergeant. The report date is March 1, 2005. People interested in applying for this position, should advise their supervisor/commander. If they are releasable, email Senior Master Sgt. Helen Noel at [helen.noel@hickam.af.mil](mailto:helen.noel@hickam.af.mil) or contact her at 449-0300.

# Around the Air Force



U.S. AIR FORCE

**Editor's Note:** For the complete stories and more go to Air Force news at <http://www.af.mil>.

## Deploying troops receive priority for laser eye surgery

WASHINGTON (AFPN) – Many people choose laser eye surgery because they think it will make them more attractive or save them from having to grapple to find their glasses.

But for an increasing number of servicemembers, laser eye surgery is not a cosmetic or convenience issue. It is about saving lives on the battlefield.

"The bottom line is that if you're in the middle of a fight and you can't see the enemy before they see you, you're dead," said Army Lt. Col. Scott Barnes, an ophthalmologist at the Warfighter Refractive Eye Clinic at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Colonel Barnes said that motivation has spurred servicemembers to flock to clinics "in droves" hoping to get the eye surgery before deployments.

Throughout the military services, there's a growing recognition that eyeglasses can be a battlefield liability.

Dirt, grime and lack of convenient hygiene facilities make contact lenses impractical in combat zones. On the other hand, eyeglasses break and fog up when subjected to the rigors of combat, like jumping out of airplanes, diving underwater or crawling through dirt and sand, Colonel Barnes said.

And although the military runs mobile eyeglass fabrication labs to replace broken eyeglasses, he said they simply cannot be as responsive as the 24-hour commercial eyeglass shops that dot American shopping centers nationwide.

Some troops question what might happen if they are taken prisoner and their captors take their glasses away from them. The colonel said troops ask, "How can you have any chance of escaping if you can't see?"

"The threat of having to go without glasses can be a psychological factor for a Soldier who is dependent on his glasses," Colonel Barnes said. "It boils down to the fact that eyeglasses can be a liability."

He said he would like to be able to provide laser eye surgery for anybody who wants it, but that limited time and resources force him to give priority to troops most likely to see combat.

"For those guys on the front, in the heat of the battle, it's important for them to be able to be free of their glasses," he said. (Story by Donna Miles, American Forces Press Service)

## Officials: BRAC 2005 to support defense transformation efforts

WASHINGTON (AFPN) -- The 2005 base realignment and closure initiative will be different from previous rounds in that it will directly contribute to the Department of Defense's transforma-



Air Force Photo by Capt. Aaron Burgstein

## Into Iraq

(From left) Majors Ed Stack and Mark Parker and Tech. Sgt. Karl Schramm scan the sky during a C-130 Hercules mission to Iraq. The Airmen are assigned to the 386th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron at a forward-deployed location. They are deployed from the 440th Airlift Wing at the General Mitchell Air Reserve Station, Wis.

tion efforts, a top official said here Oct. 25.

BRACs conducted between 1988 and 1995 closed 97 military bases and realigned 57, said Raymond DuBois, deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environment. Officials today estimate the department still carries about 23 percent excess infrastructure.

The 2005 BRAC will be unique in that besides paring no-longer-needed facilities, it will also support transformation goals. This will make DOD better prepared for combating 21st century threats like terrorism, Mr. DuBois said.

Final 2005 BRAC recommendations will be presented in the spring.

## Sibling reunion 'sweet' for Air Force Reservist in Afghanistan

KANDAHAR AIRFIELD, Afghanistan (AFPN) – Family reunions may seem sappy to some, but for maple syrup farming siblings deployed to Afghanistan, such meetings are truly sweet.

Tech. Sgt. Rebecca Jo Allen, a reservist deployed to nearby Bagram Air Base from Pope Air Force Base, N.C., and U.S. Army Reserve Chief Warrant Officer Tim Gaby, deployed from Ft. Wayne, Ind., celebrated the chief's recent promotion together here Oct. 20. The siblings serve in Afghanistan supporting Operation Enduring Freedom.

They are the children of Jack Gaby, who still manages the family farm in northeastern Indiana near Kendallville.

During their short time together, Sergeant Allen and Chief Gaby caught up on family events, shared photographs and reminisced about growing up on the family farm 30-plus years ago. At ages 45 and 44, he is the youngest of the family.

Sergeant Allen is a 455th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron passenger terminal nightshift manager, and her brother is the 221st Ordnance Co. ammunitions supply point accountable officer.

In their civilian lives, Sergeant Allen, a mother of

two, is a full-time administrative assistant for a community action agency in Kinston, N.C., and Chief Gaby helps his father manage the farm and works full time as a mechanic for a local factory. (Story by Staff Sgt. Jennifer Lindsey, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group Public Affairs)

## Haunted room spooks teens

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. (AFPN) -- The glow of electric candles lit the darkened room. The glowing eyes of a skull glared out at passersby. Bats lined the ceiling. A platter of eyeballs and other body parts sat waiting for those daring enough to try a piece.

This was the scene at the base library here when its staff transformed the young adult literature section into a haunted reading room. The glowing eyes of the skull and the papers were decorative, and the body parts were chocolate candies. The haunted reading room was created to celebrate the American Library Association's annual teen read week Oct. 17 to 23. This year's theme was "It's alive! @ your library," said Vicky Stever, library director.

The event, which encouraged students from ages 12 to 17 to come to the library, featured episodes of "The Twilight Zone," an audio recording of an Edgar Allen Poe work and opportunities for teens to share scary stories.

This was the first year this library participated in the event, said Dorothee Bennett, library assistant. The library staff decided to get involved and create the haunted reading room as part of a larger effort to draw teen readers back to the library, she said.

"Every library has to work extra hard to get teens interested, whether it's a perception of 'Oh, that's something I did when I was a little kid,' or 'It's something I have to do at school, so I'm not going to do it in my free time,' and there's a lot competing for their attention," Ms. Stever said. (Story by Sarah McCaffrey, 96th Air Base Wing Public Affairs)



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**Friday, Nov. 5th**

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Sam Foht, 18 months, scores big at the bull's eye game as her mom Stacy Foht cheers her on.

Photos by Angela Elbern

Keiki go for costume gold at

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey  
Kukini Editor

# Operation Halloween

**Editor's note:** One of the keiki games was named 'doggie toss.' It involved tossing a bean bag into a wooden target. No dogs were harmed in the playing of the game.

Ghosts, goblins and ghouls ran amok at the base community center Saturday, all in the name of a good time.

The 15th Services Squadron hosted the 12th Annual Operation Halloween, hosting more than 350 Team Hickam Keiki, parents and volunteers.

There were events aplenty, according to Charlie Lewis, 15th SVS School Age Event coordinator.

Bull's eye, doggie toss, bounce house, create-a-button, plinko board and golf putting were big hits, but they weren't the main draw, Ms. Lewis said.

Once again, the costume parade was the keiki favorite. "The children loved to come up on stage and strut their stuff," she said.

Each child received a complimentary Halloween bag filled with goodies, with one prize coming in handy this weekend, she said.

"There is a glow-in-the-dark trick-or-treat bag that base keiki can use on Sunday night."

The bags are part of the base commitment to Halloween safety.

In addition, more than 60 volunteers will be out in base housing during the trick-or-treating hours of 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday.

For more information about youth events, contact Ms. Lewis at 449-2261.



Above: Jordan Christian, 4, lets her graphics creativity show at the button-making station during Operation Halloween Saturday.

Right: Brayden Brown, 3, is getting Hulked up during the costume parade.





# Crossword puzzle: Happy Halloween

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman  
Alaskan Command Public Affairs

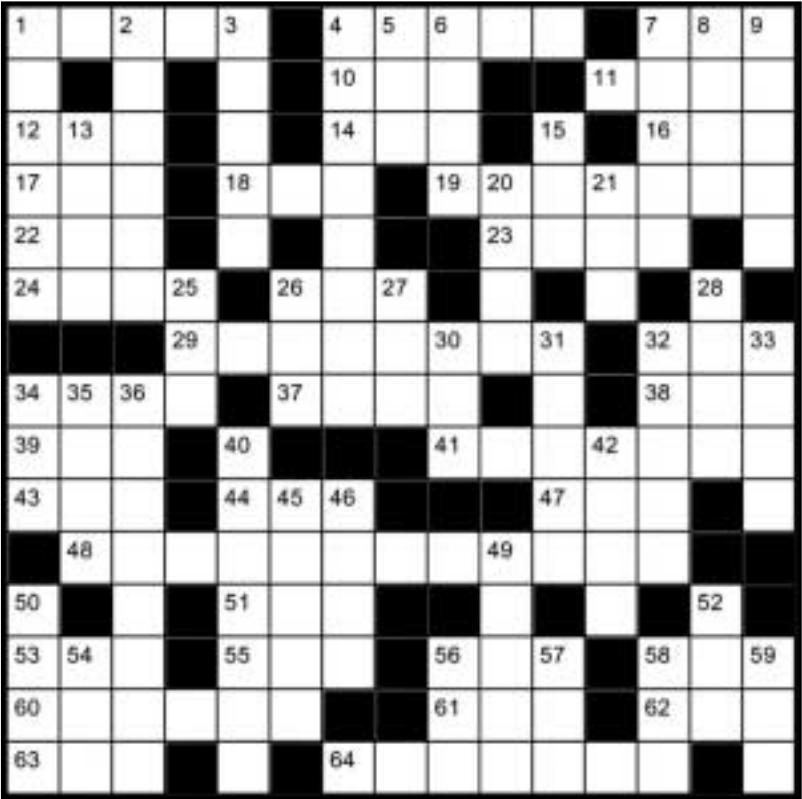
ACROSS

- 1. Halloween spirit?
- 4. Oklahoma Air Force base
- 7. \_\_\_\_ Tac Toe
- 10. Oklahoma town
- 11. Mastercard rival
- 12. Mil. uniform
- 14. Army equivalent to AFSC
- 16. Terrapin great Bias
- 17. \_\_\_\_ Angeles, CA
- 18. Head cover?
- 19. Type of Halloween house
- 22. Anger
- 23. Troubles
- 24. Type of egg
- 26. Undergarment
- 29. Halloween howler?
- 32. Draft
- 34. Signing voice
- 37. Norway capital
- 38. Lyrical poem
- 39. Snake
- 41. What jack-o'-lanterns start out as
- 43. Listening tool?
- 44. SECDEF office symbol
- 47. Actress West
- 48. Halloween lab creation?
- 51. Trespass
- 53. School subj.
- 55. Football scores (abbrev.)
- 56. Golf prop
- 58. Negative
- 60. Bedroom noises
- 61. Penn movie "\_\_\_\_Sam" (2 words)

- 62. Eternity
- 63. Perfect score
- 64. Halloween garb

DOWN

- 1. Halloween gremlin?
- 2. Burdens
- 3. Part of Halloween saying
- 4. Halloween bloodsuckers?
- 5. Bother
- 6. "\_\_\_\_ Bridges"
- 7. Leans
- 8. Get, as in understand (2 words)
- 9. Halloween goal?
- 13. French artist known for wood engraving
- 15. Double
- 20. Mil. absence against UCMJ
- 21. Earned, as in cash
- 25. Double
- 26. Sis' relative
- 27. Auger
- 28. Gully
- 30. Basketball play alley-\_\_\_\_
- 31. "La \_\_\_\_ Nikita"
- 32. Subway need?
- 33. \_\_\_\_ up with; shut in
- 34. Honest \_\_\_\_
- 35. Hang out
- 36. Spice
- 40. Halloween sight?
- 42. Double
- 45. Slides
- 46. Lairs
- 49. Second part of Halloween saying
- 50. Bother
- 52. 1 ACROSS saying



- 54. Compass dir.
- 56. \_\_\_\_ the season
- 57. Flightless bird
- 58. Formerly known as
- 59. Explosive combo

See Page 26 for SOLUTIONS

## Team Hickam History

### The Air Force’s most historic airfield



- Nov. 1, 1940** - Hawaiian Air Forces was activated in Hawaii.
- Nov. 1, 1971** - The 15th Air Base Wing was activated at Hickam and assigned to Pacific Air Forces. Col. Ernest Pate assumed command of the wing.
- Oct. 29, 1976** - The Combined Federal Campaign at Hickam ended with

- \$153,000 in contributions and 49 percent participation, an increase over 1975.
- Oct. 30, 1981** - The Governor of Hawaii, the Honorable George Ariyoshi, paid an official visit to Hickam.
- Nov. 4, 1981** - The Hawaiian Falcon was named the best newspaper in its class within PACAF for the third consecutive year.
- Nov. 3-7, 2003** - The 15th Airlift Wing conducted its first operational readiness exercise.



### Pool party

Hickam youth play basketball in the pool during the Fall into the Pool teen dance at Pool Two Oct. 22. The event was for all youth to swim or dance, listen to music and hang out.

Photo by Angela Elbern

Happy Halloween

This week's crossword answers

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Chapel

**Editor's note:** For more information on Base Chapel services or for prayer requests call the Chapel Center at 449-1754 or Nelles Chapel at 449-6562.

Protestant

*Nelles Chapel*  
Sunday contemporary service – 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday Gospel Worship – 11:15 a.m.  
Sunday Praise Gathering – 5:30 p.m.  
*Chapel Center*  
Sunday traditional – 8:30 a.m.

Jewish

Aloha Jewish Chapel, Pearl Harbor – 473-0050  
Jewish Lay Leader – Mr. David Bender – 527-5877

Naval Station Chapel – 473-3971

Catholic

*Nelles Chapel*  
Weekday Mass – 11:30 a.m.  
Saturday confessions – 4:15 p.m.  
Saturday Mass – 5 p.m.  
*Chapel Center*  
Sunday Mass – 10 a.m.

Islamic

Friday congregational service (1935 Aleo Place, Punahou) – 1 p.m.  
Muslim Association of Hawaii, 947-6263.

Buddhist

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin A Shin Buddhist Temple – 536-7044.

At the Movies

**Today, Saturday and Sunday - 7 p.m.**

**“Hero”** – In ancient times China was divided into seven kingdoms. Qin, the king of the northern province, is under permanent threat of assassination attempts. His greatest fears are the warriors “Broken Sword.” “Flying Snow” and “Sky.” Rated PG-13.

**Saturday and Sunday - 2 p.m.**

**“Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow”** – After the city falls under the attack of giant flying robots, Polly Perkins decides to team up with her old flame and fly around the world in search of Dr. Totenkopf, whose plan is to create a “World of Tomorrow”...and destroy the one of today. Rated PG.



# Team Hickam Pick 'Em



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Team Roster	Ravens vs. Eagles	Cardinals vs Bills	Patriots vs. Steelers	49ers vs. Bears	Dolphins vs. J-E-T-S	RECORDS	
						Last week	To date
Col. Ray Torres 15th AW/CC	Eagles	Bills	Patriots	49ers	Jets	1-4	17-18
Lt. Col. Denise Hollywood 15th SVS/CC	Eagles	Bills	Patriots	49ers	Jets	3-2	16-19
Capt. Nate Chine Det. 1, 15 MSG/CC	Eagles	Cards	Patriots	49ers	Jets	3-2	25-10
Chief Master Sgt. Glenn Bernier PACAF/SVS	Eagles	Cards	Patriots	Bears	Jets	3-2	23-12
Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey 15th AW/PAI	Eagles	Cards	Steelers	Bears	Jets	2-3	17-18
Staff Sgt. Toni Schmidt 15th CONS/LGVCZ	Eagles	Bills	Patriots	49ers	Jets	2-3	20-15

*The few, the proud, the vanquished ...*

*Photos by Mysti Bicoy*



Air Force Goalkeeper Ryan Trickey punches the ball out over Marine players during the Hawaii Armed Services Athletic Council soccer championship.

# Flyboys gun down Leathernecks

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey  
Kukini Editor

A dark and stormy night was as equal a player as the soccer teams representing the Air Force and the Marines that battled here Oct. 15.

With play hampered by the weather, Air Force managed to better navigate a sloppy field and narrowly escaped with a 2-1 victory over the Marines in the Hawaiian Armed Services Athletic Council tournament championship game.

Air Force got off to a flying start. Caesar Rocha made the first offensive run, receiving a pass at midfield and pushing past four Marine defenders down the far sideline before having his shot attempt deflected by Marine keeper Carlos Moriera.

On the bluesuiters next possession, Craig 'Lunchbox' Lower took advantage of a Marine defense that was pushed too far forward.

Spotting Rocha breaking downfield, Lower lofted a pass a millisecond before his teammate would have been called for off sides. The pass sailed unto Caser, who drove in wide open and ripped the nets for a 1-0 lead 15 minutes into the game.

The rest of the half saw the play primarily in the Air Force's defensive half of the field, with AF keeper Ryan Trickey making several big plays.

Marine Midfielder Thomas Callahan struck a long, airborne pass into the top of the keeper's box that brought Trickey off the goal line and into heavy player traffic, leaping high into the air to envelop the ball while surrounded by Marine players.

Minutes later, the Marines launched

another offensive assault. Ian Brooks switched field on a pass to Callahan who threaded the ball to Marine Striker Jason Janoskiewicz who shot just wide right of the goal.

As time wound down deep in the Air Force's half of field, Janoskiewicz put the ball in play on an indirect kick that careened off the defensive wall and into the keepers box. Trickey raced out, clearing the ball just as a Marine player tried to head it toward the goal.

The second half was a tribute to soggy-field miscues.

The Marines benefitted first. An Air Force defender lost his footing trying to clear a Marine pass in front of the goal, sending the ball into his own goal for a 1-1 tie.

After a bitterly contested and tightly marked 20 minutes of play, Lower signaled for Rocha to make a run to the near post during a throw in. The Marine keeper followed, misjudging the distance on Lower's throw. The rain-slicked ball slid threw the keeper's gloves and into the back of the net for the game's final score.

The bluesuiter run through the playoffs also included a 3-1 defeat of Navy in the semifinals, avenging both AF losses during earlier tournament round-robin play.

After the tournament was over, unexpected rewards were also reaped, according to Lower.

"The best part of the tournament is we get to play soccer against guys outside of the Air Force. This allows us to see new faces and make some friends and connections for off base play."

For more information about intramural sports programs, contact the base fitness center at 449-1044.



Air Force Midfielder Glenn Wilderman battles Marine Defender Thomas Callahan for control of the ball during second half action.